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Little Rock, Ark., \$3,000; State National Bank of Tyler, Mo., \$8,000; Bank of Wittenberg, Mo., \$2,500; German State Bank, Hazelton, Ill., \$2,500.

Part of the real estate, according to schedule, is subject to a first mortgage executed by the Tyler Land and Timber Company, December 9, 1914, to secure a note for \$50,000, and payable December 9, 1917, held by the Prudential Life Insurance Company. The lands are subject also to a second mortgage executed the same date to secure three notes totaling \$1,500.

Attorney Angert declared the concern is in a flourishing condition and that its land assets will pay the liabilities. The Board of Directors of the company, he said, decided to go into bankruptcy because of the action of one of the creditor banks, which refused to accede to an arrangement whereby notes secured by mortgage on the property were to be exchanged for the notes now held by the banks for the loans.

None of the banks will lose as the result of the proceedings, he predicted.

Sunshine in the Business World.

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch.)

To exaggerate the significance of the current stock market activity would be easy, especially for those who, because of political or other reasons, might be inclined to magnify any cause that seemed to justify an optimistic future outlook. The public has been reluctant in recent years to accept the speculative markets as a necessarily reliable index of the condition of legitimate business.

But the trading in securities, which has resulted in the transfer of nearly 1,500,000 shares on a single day within the last week, is but one indication of improvement in trading of all kinds. And this one indication, it may be added, comes belatedly, after the signs of betterment had been recorded in many other fields.

Wheat at \$1.60 a bushel and more and other grains at proportionate prices alone mean enormous accretions of wealth to a country in which agriculture is still, and for a long time will remain, the chief industry. Within a few months wealth in cotton has almost tripled by the advance in the price of that staple. The riches pouring into America solely through the sale of farm products abroad inevitably have a stimulating influence.

But prosperity has a much broader basis than even this. Bookings of steel orders for export have doubled since January 1. Since February 1st, we have been exporting three times as many cotton fabrics as in 1914. Our woolen exports have quadrupled.

At any rate, business everywhere is justified in proceeding on the assumption that the storm has passed. America has rarely had conditions as favorable as those certain to control for many months to come.

The Man of Grief.

In the white house Woodrow sits, while the world is throwing fits, and he looks across to Europe with a sigh; every hour new problems loom through the all-pervading gloom, and he sheds a briny tear-drop with his eye. And no matter what he does, half-baked critics round him buzz, pointing out the different errors he has made; all his motives misconstrued by the bunch of hickers rude, till he wears of the presidential trade. Not since Lincoln, long ago, toted round his jag of woe, has a statesman had to bear so dire a load; and no sympathy he gets as he walks the floor and sweats as he picks his way along his dreary road. With all Europe throwing bricks we should cut our politics, we should quit our useless nagging, quit it now; we should stand behind the chief, in these days of doubt and grief, and encourage him the best we know how. But we harp the same old song, "All your policies are wrong, and you're always making blunders so it seems!" And the president is worn by a thousand troubles torn, and he hears the Knocker's Chorus in his dream.—Walt Mason.

For Sale—Sacrifice.

North one-half, north-east quarter, section 22, township 34, north, range 4 east, 94 acres. About 2 miles from Ironton depot. Land lays nice, gentle slope and no stones. Good timber. No improvements. Address W. H. Egan, 1107 Carroll St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Notice—Good team of horses for sale. About 15½ hands high. Price right. KIMBER FARM, Pilot Knob.

FOR SALE OR LEASE—The finest and best located residence in Ironton, Mo.; suitable also for Hotel or Institution. Splendid brick dwelling and ample grounds, in prime condition; has an unfailing spring (known as Grant Spring); with ample water supply for all purposes. This property has not only a present investment value, but is also of historical interest. Address H. M. Blossom, Pierce Building, St. Louis, or Frank Mullin, Ironton, Mo.

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Fine Line of Shoes. Come and See.



Peters "Diamond Brand"
Infants' Shoes—25c, 30c, 50c, 75c
\$1.00, 1.25.
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1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50.
Ladies'—\$1.50, 1.75, 1.85, 2.00
2.25, 2.35, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.25, 3.50.
Men's—\$1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25
2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.25, 3.50, 4.00, 4.25.
Boys'—\$1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00
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Our Men's and Boys' Suits are Unexcelled.

We handle the Celebrated
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Each Suit Guaranteed.

Men's Suits, \$7.50, 10.00, 12.00,
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Do Not Fail to See Our
Complete Showing of Pants.

Men's—\$1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25,
2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.50, 3.75,
4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 6.00.

Boys'—\$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75,
2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00.

Men's and Boys' Shirts.—Come see
our Guaranteed Line. MEN—50c, 75c,
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New Display of Light Colored Gingham.



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Big Line of Spring and Summer Underwear.

Ladies' Vests, 10c, 12c, 15c, 25c. Drawers, 25c.
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Misses' Vests, 10c. Drawers, 25c. Union
Suits, 25c.

Men's Shirts, 25c, 50c. Drawers, 25c, 50c. Un-
ion Suits, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, 1.50.

"B. V. D." and Other Standard Makes.

Ladies' Waists.

The Newest Thing
in Spring Waists.
China Silk, Linen,
Etc., Etc.

PRICE - - \$1.25.

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"We Can Save You Money."

IRONTON, MO.

Weather Report.

Meteorological Report of Coopera-
tive Observer at Ironton, Iron County,
Mo., for the week ending Tuesday,
April 20, 1915:

Days of Week.	Day of Month.	Temperature		Precipitation
		Highest	Lowest	
Wednesday	14	70	35	
Thursday	15	74	36	
Friday	16	84	39	
Saturday	17	80	45	
Sunday	18	82	43	
Monday	19	85	48	
Tuesday	20	80	48	T

NOTE.—The precipitation includes
rain, hail, sleet and melted snow, and
is recorded in inches and hundredths.
Ten inches of snow equal one inch of
rain. "T" indicates trace of precipitation.
W. H. DELANO, Observer.

Catholic Church Services.

ARCADIA.
First Mass, Holy, 6:30 o'clock;
High Mass and Sermon, 9 o'clock;
Benediction, 7:30 p. m.

PILOT KNOB.

First Sunday of the month, 10:30
o'clock; Second and Fourth Sundays,
8:30 o'clock.

GRANITEVILLE.

First Sunday of the month, 8:30
o'clock; Second and Fourth Sundays,
10:30 o'clock.

No mass at Pilot Knob or Granite-
ville on the third or fifth Sundays of
the month.

BISMARCK.

Third and fifth Sundays of the month
at 8:30 and 9 o'clock.
REV. L. C. WERNERT, Pastor.
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IRONTON, MO.

Prompt Service, and Satisfaction is
Guaranteed. Charges Reasonable.

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LIVERY, FEED AND SALE
STABLES
Ironton, Missouri
BRAND NEW High Good Horses
and Careful Drivers. Charges
Reasonable. Special Attention to
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South of Courthouse

WE OWN AND OFFER

\$47,500

New Madrid County, Missouri

5 Per Ct. Court House and Jail Bonds.

Dated March 2, 1914. No option. Due serially, \$2500 annually, from
1916 to 1931, inclusive. Interest semi-annually, March 2 and Septem-
ber 2. Both principal and interest payable at office of County
Treasurer, New Madrid, Mo., or collectible through our office without
charge. Denomination \$500. Total issue \$47,500.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—(As Officially Reported)
Estimated actual value of taxable property \$25,000,000
Assessed valuation of taxable property (1914) 9,145,796
Total bonded debt (this issue only) 47,500
Population (1910 census) 19,488.

This issue has been passed upon and its legality directly ap-
proved by the Supreme Court of Missouri. Exempt from the Federal
Income Tax.

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Double Your Corn Crop

You can double your corn crop
during 1915 by fertilizing
your land with
Clover Brand
Fertilizer

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Come in and get this valuable new
fertilizer book which explains the
corn-growing contest. It contains
many helpful ideas that can be car-
ried out to your profit.

Join This
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Clover Brand Fertilizers Grow Better Crops
They hasten maturity, improve quality, and increase the yields greatly.
It is not unusual for a farmer to double or triple his yield per acre by the
use of Clover Brand Fertilizers at a cost of a cent or two per acre.
There may be cheaper fertilizers, but none better than Clover Brand,
manufactured by Commercial Fertilizer Co., St. Louis.

Come in right away and enter Corn Growing Contest
R. S. DODD, Winwood Farm, Pilot Knob.

Local Agent.

Franklin Litigation.

(From the Caruthersville Argus.)

The facts of the Franklin litigation in Pemis-
cot County were sold April 19 by a
committee of creditors in charge of the
assets of Mr. Franklin to Wm. B. Mc-
Gentry of Decatur, Ill., for \$300,000.
Soon after the sale was reported, a
bank in Illinois filed suit in the federal
court in St. Louis to set aside the sale,
alleging that the property is worth
\$650,000.

The property of Mr. Franklin in the
south part of this county comprised
his interest in the Tyler Land & Tim-
ber Co., the Mississippi Valley Rail-
way and the allied mills and enter-
prises, also some 8,500 acres of land
owned by him individually.

Before the financial matters became
so acute, it is said, Mr. Franklin was
offered \$975,000 for his entire holdings,
out of which he would have paid \$50-
000 as commission, but he refused the
offer, for the reason that he could not
secure enough cash in the transaction
to satisfy his creditors, only \$200,000
being payable in cash or short term
notes.

As recently as last July, it is said,
he received another offer of \$750,000
in cash for his holdings, but this
offer was also rejected by him,
he believing that he could weather
the financial storm and save at least
part of his property.

The Tyler Land & Timber Co. has
now filed a petition in bankruptcy,
listing its liabilities at \$172,617.57
and its assets at \$255,133.86, the latter com-
prising 3,166 acres of land in Pemis-
cot County and 3,118 acres in Mississippi
County, Ark. In the schedule of
liabilities are some to various banks
in this county, but reliable information
indicates that all these have been paid,
except a balance of less than \$5,000
due the Bank of Caruthersville. The
reason for beginning bankruptcy pro-
ceedings now is that one of the credi-
tor banks had refused to agree to ar-
rangements for extension of its loan.

It is probable that Mr. Franklin has
lost practically all his wealth. So far
as is known here, there is none of his
personal paper held in Pemis-
cot County.

The sale of the Franklin estate for
\$300,000, even after the addition of
another like sum of \$300,000, said to be
the value of the Tyler Land & Timber
Co., would still leave a shortage of
nearly \$200,000 from the offer he was
made less than a year ago. This seems
practically a paper depreciation, as
the land is undoubtedly worth as
much now as it was then.

In the meantime, the litigation over
this property will continue to have a
depressing effect upon the business
enterprises about Tyler and Cooter,
something greatly to be regretted.

Laws Governing Autos.

An auto driver has no more rights
on the road than anyone else, and
must turn out and give a share of the
road to drivers of other vehicles. If
he gets haughty and supercilious, and

puts on airs of owning the highway,
just pull the following sections of the
statutes on him:

The laws of Missouri 1911, relative
to motor vehicles provide that when-
ever a person operating a motor ve-
hicle shall meet in the public high-
way any other person riding or driv-
ing a horse or horses or other animals
the chauffeur shall reasonably turn his
automobile to the right of the center
of the highway so as to pass without
interference.

Section 10540 R. S. Mo. 1909 makes
this same requirement of the person
driving the vehicle other than the
automobile, or driving or riding an
animal. The laws of 1911 further
provide that when a person operating
a motor vehicle shall overtake a horse,
animal or other vehicle the rider or
driver of the horse or other vehicle
shall as soon as practicable turn aside
to the right so as to allow free passage
on the left hand side. And it is fur-
ther provided that any person operat-
ing a motor vehicle shall at the inter-
section of public highways keep to the
right of the intersection of the
center lines of such highways when
turning to the right, and pass to the
right of such intersection when turn-
ing to the left.

China.

Gun-toting nations might learn
something from China.
China is the patriarch of the na-
tions; its known history runs back
about 5000 years. It was ancient
when Rome was a straggling village
of herdsmen, long, long before Lon-
don became even a huddle of rush
huts beside the Thames.

The Chinese are the oldest and most
numerous homogeneous people; they
are nearly one-fourth of all the earth's
inhabitants. Theirs is the classic ex-
ample of the doctrine of non-aggres-
sion; they abolished militarism thou-
sands of years ago. They were the
first of earth's people, or at any rate
the first among those who now sur-
vive, to be taught and to practice
the golden rule of fair dealing; their
honesty is proverbial. They origi-
nated civil service and intensive farm-
ing. They were the first among
peoples now living to advance from
the pastoral to the agricultural stage
of civilization. They built the longest
wall ever made by human hands to
protect their fields against raiding
nomads from the North.
China has been repeatedly invaded
and repeatedly invaded and "con-
quered," and has each time conquer-
ed its conquerors by the slow, sure
process of assimilation; it has absorb-
ed them, made Chinese of them. War-
like nations come and go; peaceful
China goes on forever.

Some commentators have alluded
to China as a nation asleep. Far from
it. China has been for time out of mind
the ablest traders of the Orient;
her sons are now proving themselves
of first-rate competency in modern
manufacturing arts. Man for man
they match in soldierly potency any

people anywhere. With the rarest
exceptions, we see only the Canton
coolies, small men, in this country
and in Europe.

If you must worry about somebody,
pick another subject; China will take
care of herself.—St. Louis Post-Dis-
patch.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars
Reward for any case of Catarrh
that cannot be cured by Hall's
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We, the undersigned, have known F. J.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally,
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by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

—Advertisement.

Tyler Land & Timber Company Bankrupt.

(St. Louis Republic, April 20th.)

The Tyler Land & Timber Company,
owned by John E. Franklin, one time
president of the Bankers Trust Com-
pany, filed a voluntary petition in
bankruptcy in the United States Dis-
trict Court yesterday. The company
was in charge of a committee of credi-
tors.

Liabilities were listed at \$172,617.57
and the assets at \$255,133.86.

Notes for loans held by a score of
banks in Missouri, Illinois and Arkan-
sas constitute the greater part of the
liabilities.

The assets consist of 3,166 acres of
land in Pemis-
cot County, Missouri,
and of 3,118 acres of land in Mississippi
County, Arkansas.

Eugene Angert, attorney for the
Committee of Creditors handling the
Franklin estate, declared the 3,166
acres of land in Pemis-
cot County, mentioned in the bankruptcy petition,
is in a tract separate from that tract
in the same county for which the offer
of \$300,000 was made.

The Third National Bank of St.
Louis holds a note covering a loan for
\$20,000; the Jefferson Gravois Trust
Company has a claim for \$10,000;
Meramec Trust Company, St. Louis,
\$5,000; West End Bank, \$5,000; Le-
may Ferry Bank, \$2,500; Bank of
Hayti, Mo., \$3,500; Night and Day
Bank, St. Louis, \$5,000; Bank of Car-
uthersville, Mo., \$20,738.25; Bank of
Cooter, Mo., \$1,000; Bank of Steele,
Mo., \$1,500; People's National Bank
of Jackson, Mo., \$2,500; Wayne Coun-
ty National Bank of Greenville, Mo.,
\$3,000; First National Bank of Mad-
ison, Illinois, \$4,000; Bank of Marvell,
Ark., \$2,500; Bank of Tuckermann,
Ark., \$5,000; Bank of Ironton, Mo.,
\$2,500; Bank of Outcass, Mo., \$2,-
500; Bank of Brinkley, Ark., \$2,500;
First National Bank of Granite City,
\$5,000; Bank of Henrietta, Mo., \$2,-
500; Peoples Bank, Bonne Terre, Mo.,
\$5,000; Citizens Bank of Greenville,
Mo., \$1,200; First National Bank of
Wellston, \$5,000; Peoples Bank, Cold-
well, Mo., \$5,000; State National Bank,